

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
WESTERN DIVISION

**MOTION TO EXTEND TIME TO CONDUCT 26(f) MEETING
AND PREPARE PROPOSED CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER**

NOW COME the Defendants, JOSEPH WELLS, TERRI WELLS, LUKE D. VANDER BLEEK, and JOAN L. VANDER BLEEK, by RENO & ZAHM LLP, by Robert A. Fredrickson and Jack D. Ward, and moves this Court for an extension of time for the parties to conduct a Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 26(f) conference and tender a proposed case management order, and in support thereof state as follows:

1. On February 20, 2008 the clerk docketed that the parties were to hold a Rule 26(f) meeting and provide individual case management orders and briefs in support by March 5, 2008.
2. On February 22, 2008 Robert A. Fredrickson proposed in writing certain discovery dates to Plaintiff's counsel. On February 28, 2008 counsel for the Plaintiffs responded that no discovery was needed.
3. Lead trial counsel, Robert A. Fredrickson, has been out of town since February 29, 2008 and will not return until Monday, March 10, 2008, and is unable to respond and resolve issues through a 26(f) meeting and provide a case management order by March 5, 2008.
4. It is in the best interests of the parties and the Court to allow the parties to attempt to conduct a meaningful 26(f) meeting and, if possible, provide an agreed case management order.

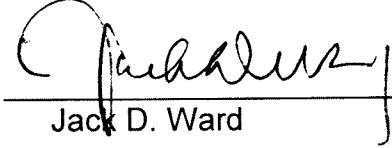
WHEREFORE, Defendants pray that the Court extend the time for conducting a 26(f) meeting and for filing of a case management order with supporting briefs until March 14, 2008, and for such other relief as may be appropriate.

Dated this 5th day of March, 2008.

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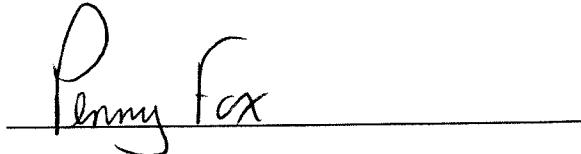
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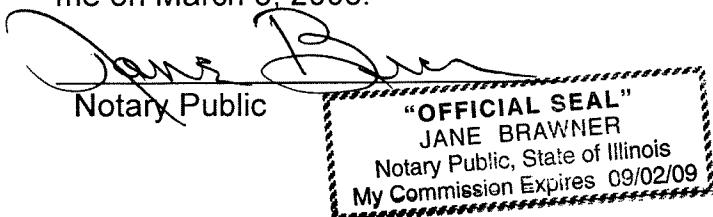
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